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A DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 17, 2002, the shortened statutory period for which runs until October 17, 2002. Please revise the subject application as indicated below. The Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of the application in light of the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 27, 29, 30, 31, 33, 35-37, 44, 63, 65 - 73, and 80 as shown below. Please cancel Claims 20-26 and 56-62. Accordingly, Claims 27-52 and 63-88 are pending in the present reissue application. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the claims that indicate that differences between the current set of claims and the claims of the parent issued patent